## YOUTH COUNCIL ON WORKFORCE SERVICES

Monday, August 1, 2005 Weber Basin Job Corp Center 7400 S. Cornia Drive, Ogden Utah Monthly Meeting Minutes 3:10 p.m.

Presiding: Paul Jackson, Chair

Present: James Andersen, Linda Fife, David Melville, Akilah Messado,

Kevin Miller, Craig Stoker, (for Dr. Stephen Ronnenkamp),

Sheri VanBibber, M. Ali Wilkinson

Absent: Betty Barker, Kay Forbush, Senator Brent Goodfellow, Don Johnson,

Dr. John Latkiewicz, Gay Pinnecoose, Dr. Stephen Ronnenkamp,

Melva Sine, Claire Turner, Lona Walton

Provider: Jude Schmid, Salt Lake County Youth EmployAbility Services (YES)

Staff: Amy Aldridge, Rod Barlow, Jane Broadhead, Steve Leyba, Diane Lovell

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Chairman Paul Jackson called the meeting to order at 3:10 pm., immediately following the annual Youth Council Retreat, which adjourned at approximately 3:00 pm. He extended thanks on behalf of the Youth Council to Akilah Messado and the Weber Basin Job Corps Center for hosting the Retreat and Council Meeting. The accommodations, service and refreshments, especially the formal luncheon, were excellent.

# **Approval of May 16, 2005 Minutes**

Dave Melville moved the May 16, 2005 minutes be approved. Sheri VanBibber seconded the motion. The motion carried with one abstention - Linda Fife.

## Contract Approval – Salt Lake County Youth EmployAbility Services

Steve Leyba provided a summary of the RFP Process that was implemented to identify a WIA Youth Services Provider. Salt Lake County – Youth Employability Services (YES) was the only entity that responded to the RFP. The County's initial proposal was inadequate; however, the proposal was upgraded and accepted by the department in early June. Contract negotiations are underway and approximately \$1.8 million will be available the first year. The contract will be effective October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, with up to four, 1-year performance-contingent extensions. Paul Jackson noted that DWS will monitor the outcomes closely and that the case management staff will be located at the DWS Offices – 1385 South State.

The Youth Council is required to approve the staff recommendation to award the Youth Services Provider contract to Salt Lake County YES.

Dave Melville moved the Youth Council concur with the DWS recommendation to approve Salt Lake County-Youth EmployAbility Services (YES) as the WIA Youth Services Provider for Central Region. Kevin Miller seconded the motion. All voted Aye and Motion Carried.

Mr. Jackson indicated that the Youth Council's action/recommendation will be calendared for review and approval by the Regional Council at its August 25 Meeting.

#### **Youth Priority System**

Rod Barlow directed the Council's attention to the WIA Youth Priority System Form included in the agenda packet. He outlined the required Priority System and the modifications adopted by the State Youth Council on July 14, 2005. Mr. Barlow then explained that the form reflected Central Region's suggested point values by category, i.e. age, income, employment barriers and other applicant characteristics. He also noted that the following target groups were added to the previous form to meet the DOL requirement that youth most in need receive enrollment priority:

- Youth Aged out of Foster Care at 18
- Child of Incarcerated Parent
- Migrant Youth

Mr. Barlow went on to explain that each Region must assign point values (weights) to the above categories and determine a minimum total point value for enrollment priority each year. Following much discussion and debate, the Council decided to table the discussion until the October Council Meeting. Rod Barlow agreed to conduct more research and provide a revised Priority System Matrix that incorporates the Council's concerns and reflects additional input from the YES Program.

#### **New Business**

Jude Schmid announced that there would be a YES Youth Community Resource Fair on August 16<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the DWS Offices – 1385 S. State.

# **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

Paul Jackson thanked everyone for their participation and again expressed a special thanks to Akilah Messado for being such a gracious host. He then formally adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:45 pm.